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RE: Use of Statistics on Shipping to Cuba

I suggest that you cite as few figures as possible on shipping into Cuba. That may embroil you in impossible complications. The figures are, frankly, a mess. The problems include:

- different security classifications;
- different standards of preparation from different agencies;
- different time periods;
- confusion among "trips", "voyages", and "calls";
- different classifications and topics.

The results are not totally reconcilable.

The statement in your prepared text is substantially accurate. About two-thirds of the ships calling in Cuba during 1962 have been foreign flag. A little over one-half of the ships calling have either been Soviet ships or Free World ships chartered by the Soviet Union. About 60% of the foreign flag ships are Greek, UK, West German, and Norwegian--in that order.

I don't think you should say much more.

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	Imports from Cuba			Exports to Cuba			: : : : :
	1959	1961	1962	1959	1961	1962	
Sweden	3.0	.5(est.)	1.2 (3 months)	2.6	1.5(est.)	.5 (3 months)	
Switzerland	1.5	2.6	2.5 (6 months)	5.0	1.3	.2 (6 months)	
United Kingdom	28.5	15.0	15.6 (7 months)	46.6	13.2	4.5 (7 months)	
<u>Europe, Other</u>							
Finland	.0	.4	1.1 (4 months)	.2	.3	.3 (4 months)	
Yugoslavia	.0	2.0	1.4 (3 months)	.0	4.7	.1 (3 months)	
<u>Middle East</u>							
Israel	1.8	.1	n.a.	.0	.1	n.a.	
Jordan	.0	.2	n.a.	.0	.0	n.a.	
<u>Africa</u>							
Egypt	.0	.8 ^(est.)	4.6 (4 months)	.0	6.0 (est.)	2.9 (4 months)	
Morocco	15.7	6.9	n.a.	.0	2.9	n.a.	
Union of South Africa	.2	.8	n.a.	.2	.0	n.a.	
<u>Far East</u>							
Ceylon	.0	8.1	n.a.	.0	.0	n.a.	
India	.0	.0	n.a.	5.6	14.8(est.)	n.a.	
Japan	35.1	24.3	15.1 (6 months)	10.0	11.6	5.8 (6 months)	
Pakistan	.0	2.3	.0 (5 months)	3.1	4.7	.4 (5 months)	

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	Imports from Cuba			Exports to Cuba		
	1959	1961	1962	1959	1961	1962	
United States	474.7	35.1	6.8 (7 months)	438.6	13.7	.4 (7 months)
Canada	12.0	5.0	.5 (3 months)	15.3	31.8	5.5 (6 months)	.....
<u>European E.C.E.D. Countries:</u>							
Austria	1.2	.1	.0 (6 months)	.8	.1	.0 (6 months)	.....
Belgium-Luxembourg	3.1	.8	.4 (5 months)	14.9	4.1	.5 (5 months)	.....
Denmark	.6	.2	.0 (4 months)	.7	.7	.1 (4 months)	.....
France	8.4	1.1	.5 (6 months)	14.3	5.8	.6 (6 months)	.....
West Germany	12.0	1.9	3.1 (5 months)	29.6	11.8	1.9 (5 months)	.....
Greece	4.0	3.4	1.6 (3 months)	.0	.0	.0 (3 months)	.....
Iceland	.5	.5	.0 (4 months)	.5	.5	.0 (4 months)	.....
Ireland	.6	.2	n.a.	.0	.0	n.a.	
Italy	1.2	.2	.0 (4 months)	8.3	4.0	.8 (4 months)	
Netherlands	8.3	4.2	2.2 (5 months)	8.3	10.9	3.9 (5 months)	
Norway	.6	.1	.0 (4 months)	2.9	2.3	.3 (4 months)	
Portugal	.1	.0	.0 (4 months)	.0	.8	.0 (4 months)	
Spain	7.4	8.7 (est.)	.7 (4 months)	7.8	4.5 (est.)	.0 (4 months)	

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	Imports from Cuba			Exports to Cuba		
	1959	1961	1962	1959	1961	1962	
Burma	.0	.0	.0 (3 months)	.0	.0	7.9 (8 months)
<u>Latin America</u>							
Argentina	1.2	.0	n.a.	.5	.3	n.a.	.....
Brasil	5.3	.0	n.a.	.2	.3	n.a.	.....
Chile	.1	10.7	n.a.	1.1	3.4	n.a.	.....
Honduras	.2	.0	n.a.	2.2	.3	n.a.	.....
Mexico	.7	.2	.0 (4 months)	2.4	3.5	.3 (4 months)	.....
Nicaragua	.3	.0	n.a.	.5	.4	n.a.	.....
Panama	.3	.1	n.a.	.0	.0	n.a.	.....
Peru	.4	.1	n.a.	.4	.0	n.a.	.....
El Salvador	.5	.0	n.a.	.0	.0	n.a.	.....
Uruguay	.4	.8	n.a.	.0	.0	n.a.	.....
Venezuela	9.0	.1	n.a.	56.7	.2	n.a.	.....
	<u>18.4</u>	<u>12.</u>		<u>64.2</u>	<u>8.4</u>		